

August 26, 2016

Bill Watson NH Department of Transportation 7 Hazen Drive, P.O. Box 483 Concord, NH 03302-0483

**RE:** TIP Minor Revision – August 2016

Dear Mr. Watson:

The Nashua Regional Planning Commission (NRPC) Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) has considered the request to approve the August 2016 Minor Revision to the adopted Nashua Metropolitan Area 2015 – 2018 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The proposed revisions to the following projects meet the requirements of the Nashua MPO expedited project selection procedures. NRPC **concurs** with the proposed changes to the projects listed below for Fiscal Years 2015 through 2018.

## Nashua MPO projects

Milfordto Nashua Project # 10136

PE & ROW for improvements at NH101 WB on-ramp in Amherst and widening from Craftsman Ln to Continental Blvd in Merrimack

- Move \$300,000 in FFY 2016 PE to FFY 2017
- Net change: \$10,560 increase (inflation related); total 2015-2018 TIP funding: \$1,139,512

Nashua Project # 10136B

Phase II Widening and Improvements: Somerset Pkwy to Sunapee St and Blackstone Dr to Celina Ave

- Reduce FFY 2018 PE to align with approved 2017 2026 Ten Year Plan funding amounts
- Net change: \$112,970 reduction; total 2015-2018 TIP funding: \$1,821,454

## Wilton - Milford - Amherst - Bedford NH 101

Project # 13692

PE and ROW for safety improvements at various locations from NH 31 in Wilton to Wallace Rd in Bedford

- Adjust funding as follows to align with approved 2017 2026 Ten Year Plan funding amounts
  - o PE: Remove funding in FFY 2017 and increase funding FFY 2018
  - o Row: Decrease FFY 2018 funding
- Net change: \$24,098 increase; total 2015-2018 TIP funding: \$633,857

## Statewide projects

NRPC is in support of the minor revisions to the following Statewide programs (Net change: \$9,950,095 increase over all projects listed):

- 40284 Commuter/Intercity Bus Replacement: Replacement of existing state-owned coaches used for commuter and intercity bus.
- DBE In-house administration of the FHWA supportive program, DBE compliance monitoring (Annual Program)
- FTA5310 Transportation for Seniors & Individuals with Disabilities
- FTA5339 Capital Bus/Facilities: FTA 5339 Program (Capital bus and bus facilities) for statewide public transportation
- HSIP Highway Safety Improvement Program
- OJT/SS On the Job training for minority and women to reach journeyman status in the construction industry
- SRTS Safe Routes to School

## SNHPC projects located within the Nashua UZA

NRPC recognizes the minor revisions to the following Southern New Hampshire project located within the Nashua Urbanized Area and, therefore, listed in the Nashua Metropolitan Area TIP:

- 10418H Salem to Manchester: I-93 Exit 3 Park & Ride (Windham) (CMAQ Program); Net Change: \$264,720 decrease
- 14633R Salem to Manchester: DES Land Grant Program; Net Change: \$502,993 decrease

Sincerely,

cc:

NASHUA REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

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